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What Other Editors Have To Say

PRISON REFORM

We heard a new theory on prison reform last week. The theory was expounded by a man who has handled prisoners inside and outside of walls for quite some time. He admitted that he was out of step with the fancy theories of many men and women who call themselves penologists but he declared that he is not interested in fancy theories, that he has seen too many of them exploded.

This man, who must remain anonymous because of fear of losing his job, said he would do away with long sentences except in the case of repeaters. He would have the judges or a sentencing board scale down all long sentences so that men now serving five or 10 years would serve but one or two years. But that one or two years would be without the frills.

Under the proposed plan, every prisoner would be confined in the same manner as he now is during his first two weeks of quarantine. His tobacco would be taken away. He would have no newspapers or magazines, he would not have a radio, there would be no prison baseball, basketball or boxing. There would be no entertainments. The prisoners would be denied candy and baked goods sent by friends and relatives. There would be no radio receiving sets. A prison would be a prison and a prisoner would be given ample time to reflect.

This prison employee declares that prisoners now receive more actual punishment and correction during the two weeks of quarantine than they do with subsequent service of 40 years. At the end of two weeks a man is usually sorry and remorseful. He hates prison life and is determined to never again step from the straight and narrow. But those good resolutions of the first two weeks are soon forgotten, the prison employee said, in the social whirl which follows his release from quarantine. What with sports, radios, shows and other entertainments the prisoner soon drops into the prison rut and no longer has the time nor the inclination to reflect upon why he is there or to resolve that he will not err again.

Probably such a plan will not be tried in Michigan for some time. We are on the other course, that of trying to reform a man by kindness. If that theory explodes it might be well to try the employee's plan.—Ingham County News.

A GOOD INVESTMENT

Contemplating the number of deaths that are constantly recurring in every community, we just have this thought (in these tough times): "What a wonderful help is life insurance to the home when some one slips away." That one or two or three thousand dollars comes as a godsend when a loved one passes away. Never could insurance money become more gratefully received than then.

What a great blessing it would be if the older generation, many of whom are passing beyond, had had the same faith in life insurance that prevails now among thoughtful people! The moral would seem to be that, regardless of a few minor failures among

Work Has Begun On Storm Sewers

A crew of men under direction of Charles Amidon is busy on the construction of a system of storm sewers, under a CWA 100% grant. The plans for the system provide for sewers on the following streets:

Beginning on Vine street, the main-trunk line will run down Maple street to State street and from there to the river. Lateral sewers will be built on Vine street from the corner of Park street; also Lake, Ogemaw, and Ottawa from their respective corners on Park street.

West of the trunk line, lateral sewers will run on Ogemaw from Cedar street; from Peninsular on Ottawa and one block on Michigan avenue. Another line on Peninsular will run from in front of the A. J. Joseph residence to the lateral on Ogemaw. There will be a half block of sewer running south on Chestnut street and a block and a half north on the same street, emptying into the lateral on Ogemaw street.

About forty catch basins will carry the surplus water from the surface of the streets to the sewer lines, and it is expected that this will eliminate further floods of water, along these streets, that have been so annoying and destructive in the past. Everyone who has had occasion to use these streets, especially in the spring time after heavy thaws of snow, will recall the floods of water that have covered the surface. Some streets were nearly impassable and meant wet feet and danger from illness. Also the water gutted the gravel streets and made road repair work necessary and expensive.

Hayden & Kunze of Detroit did the engineering work, and Albert Kunze and Martin Olson will supervise the construction work. Only 12 men are at work at this time. The work calls for 60 men, but the quota of employed men on other projects cuts the number of available men. It is hoped that more help will be available soon for this project.

Christmas Candies For Kiddies

George Burke is taking it upon himself again this year to see that all the kiddies in the county have a Christmas treat. So Saturday afternoon all are invited to meet as guests of Mr. Burke and the business men of Grayling.

Edward Closser, Detroit, was the low bidder and was awarded the contract at \$67,657.40. There is no intimation as to just when work on this highway will begin. Engineers are now busy making the survey and establishing grades and it is expected that operations will start soon after they have finished this preliminary work.

This highway will run from Stephan's corner on the south side of the river to South Branch township. It will open a route that has long been needed and provide a much shorter route for people living in South Branch township for reaching the county seat—Grayling, and also provide a more direct route to Mio. It will cross the South Branch river at about the present location of Smith Bridge.

Every year the two Georges catch the Christmas spirit and prepare to entertain the kiddies, which means that every child in the county is remembered.

Stock companies, it is the wisest possible thing to consider life insurance as a part of one's budget—no matter how tight the times.

Richard T. Baldwin in the Northville Record.



The appreciation of our past cordial relations inspires the hearty wish that your Christmas be joyful and that the New Year will hold for you a gratifying measure of happiness and contentment.

Grayling Box Co. 

Everything in Building Materials Phone 61

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Santa's Address List



FRANK FOURNIER

Grayling-So. Branch Road Project Let

EDWARD CLOSSER, DETROIT, LOW BIDDER. \$67,657.40.

Contracts for ten PWA projects were awarded last Friday by the State Highway department. Among them was one for 6.75 miles of 18 foot surface road in Grayling and South Branch townships east of Grayling.

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SEASON'S BASKET BALL SCHEDULE

Jan. 5—Kalkaska. There. 1st and 2nd Teams.
Jan. 10—Boyne City. Here. 1st and 2nd Teams.
Jan. 12—West Branch. There. 1st and 2nd Teams.
Jan. 19—Roscommon. Here. 1st and 2nd Teams.
Jan. 26—Alpena (1st team). Here.

Jan. 26—Houghton Lake (2nd team). Here.

Feb. 2—St. Mary's (Gaylord) Here.
Feb. 9—Kalkaska. Here. 1st and 2nd Teams.
Feb. 16—Roscommon. Here. 1st and 2nd Teams.

Feb. 23—West Branch. Here. 1st and 2nd Teams.

The schedule on eastern standard time follows:

Northbound, leaves Mackinaw City—5 a.m., 9 a.m., 1 p.m. and 6 p.m.

Southbound, leaves St. Ignace—6:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7:45 p.m.

The Chief Wawatam is the railroad car ferry owned and operated by the Mackinaw Transportation Company. During the winter season when straits navigation is closed and the harbors are filled with ice, the State Highway Department docks its ferry boats and the Chief Wawatam takes over the state ferry transportation under contract.

The automobile fee will continue the same as on the state ferries. The passenger fee will be .60 cents for adults and .30 cents for children from 5 to 12 years old. The driver of an automobile will be required to pay the .60 cent fee also.

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THOMAS WOODFIELD DEAD

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Mr. Woodfield was a brother of the late William Woodfield. He was well known by lumbermen throughout the state, having been engaged in the lumber business in northern Michigan when it was booming. He first began the business by working in the woods for Salling Hanson Co., and later was employed in their store in Grayling.

His wife, Hanna Michelson, was a niece of the late Neils Michelson.

Kings Edward and King George

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Bushes Grow in Trees
In a campaign in northeastern states to eradicate currant and gooseberry bushes to prevent them harboring white pine blight, trees have been found growing in trees.

Straits of Mackinaw Ferry Schedule

Lansing, December 18.—Four round trips daily will be the schedule for winter ferry service across the Straits of Mackinaw on the steamer Chief Wawatam, beginning Friday, December 15th, it is announced by State Highway Commissioner Murray D. Van Wagoner.

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Teams Lose To Alpena and H. L.

Grayling High School's far-flung basketball wars took the Varsity to Alpena while the "B" team was at Houghton Lake. Both teams lost and both had very interesting engagements.

Coach Willard Cornell's Varsity dropped a 34-18 decision. The Grayling green-and-white team gave Alpena's veterans an awful tussle. The young ambitious Grayling team stepped into a 6-1 lead at the quarter and it was knotted up 10-10 at the half. In the third quarter the Haste-coached veterans began to click and pulled away. Especially at the free throw line did the Thunderbolts excel, casting in ten of fourteen tries. Grayling vows to be revenged when Alpena returns for a return game here in January. Last year Grayling won at Alpena and lost by a bare two points here in Grayling.

While this amount represents a substantial aid to school districts, it is a decrease from the amount distributed in former years. In 1932 the distribution totaled \$20,789,287.43, in 1931 the amount was \$24,224,239.92, while the 1930 distribution was \$24,160,905.57.

The B team had a fiercely fought engagement on Houghton Lake's small floor. The local Cubs had a 5-3 advantage at the first quarter and led 9-10 at the half. The third quarter ended at 14-all. Houghton managed to cash in enough points to pull the game out at 24-18. It was a thriller from start to finish that kept the capacity crowd on edge all the way through. The game was exceptionally well played and hard fought.

Houghton Lake is to have a new gym for next year built with CWA funds. This new playing floor will be 60 x 40; in other words the same width as the local floor and only eight feet shorter. Relations with the Houghton Lake school have been very pleasant and will be continued. Houghton plays the Cubs again as a preliminary to the Alpena game here, and the boys are plotting a big revenge. It ought to be worth seeing for local fans.

Grayling High—18

Player	Pos.	FG	FT	PF
Sorenson, F		.3	0	2
Lovely, F		.3	0	2
Gothro, C		.2	0	2
Smock, G	</td			

MERRY XMAS

At this season of Yuletide Cheer, may every one of your fondest wishes be realized and may the New Year bring you an increased measure of Health, Happiness and Prosperity.

NICK SCHJOTZ



Wishing You Christmas Happiness

In a modern fashion we are wishing you an old-fashioned

MERRIE CHRISTMAS

Parsons & Wakeley



Yuletide Happiness to All

In extending you our best wishes for a joyful Christmas and a New Year of abundant happiness and prosperity, permit us also to express that wish that we may ever continue to merit your highest confidence.

Grayling Mercantile Co.

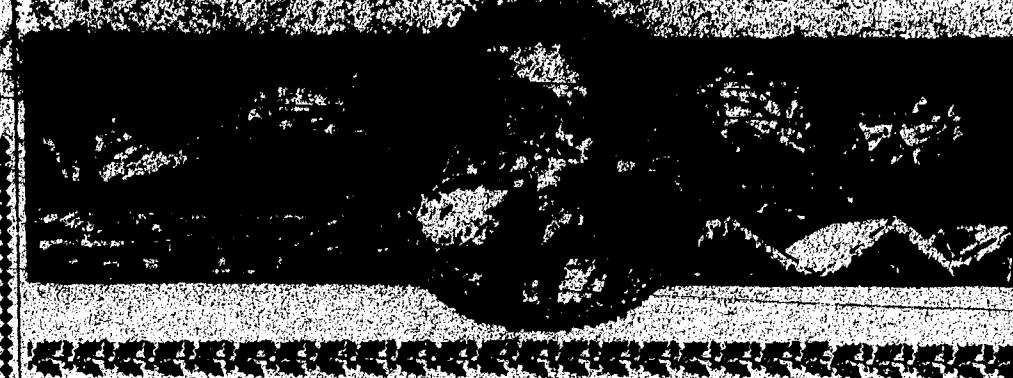


In Cordial appreciation of the only asset that money cannot buy—Your good will.

Alfred Hanson



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Merry Christmas!

SUCH is the old, old greeting that is ever new which will soon be heard on every side in this community. It is the greeting between individuals, between friends and business associates; it is the greeting which we will hear frequently in our clubs and societies and civic organizations, in our churches and our schools.

All these institutions have a definite place in our community life and as such we give them our loyalty and our support. But not everyone can belong to all of them. So there may be some of us who will not have the feeling of sharing in the Christmas greeting which comes from them.

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But there is one institution whose interests are the interests of the whole community, of every man and woman and child in it, an institution which is devoted to serving the interests of all. That is the Home Town Newspaper.

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A welcome visitor into the homes of this community; a messenger bearing news of community interest; a chronicler of the joys and sorrows and of the trials and triumphs of its people; a mirror held up to reflect the daily life of the community; the loom in which is woven into one harmonious pattern the varied threads of community activity... all these are the Home Town Newspaper.

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So, through what more appropriate medium than the Home Town Newspaper should there come a greeting to all the people of our community at this time of the year? We believe there is none more appropriate and we are happy to have the privilege of saying to you all: "A Merry Christmas."

The Publisher

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SORENSEN'S FURNITURE STORE



THE spirit of the Yule-tide Season kindles anew the memories of friendly associations and makes it a very pleasant thing to extend our sincere wishes for a right Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year rich in worthwhile achievements.



Burke's Garage and Service Station

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Yuletide Good Cheer

To our faithful old friends and our cherished new friends we tender

HEARTY CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

May the New Year be for you a happy and prosperous one and may it be our privilege to add to its success.

C. W. OLSEN

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The Holiday Season is again with us, reviving memories of old friends.

May you enjoy a continuous spirit of Happiness, a full measure of Success and Contentment, and an abundance of all that will add to your comfort.

Grayling 5c---\$1.00 Store



The Holiday Season presents a pleasant opportunity to express our appreciation of your friendship.

May our service prove to be a factor in the prosperity we wish for you during nineteen hundred thirty-four.

L. E. SCHRAM

Hi-Speed Station



It is our pleasure, indeed, at this time of the year to gratefully acknowledge the favors we have received and extend to you our compliments and best wishes for a Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

EMIL NIEDERER

Ice and Coal

Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

Thursday, December 22, 1910

A Merry Christmas to all.

Mrs. M. Brenner was visiting friends in Johannesburg last week.

C. E. Bingham and family will take a two weeks holiday vacation, visiting old friends.

A letter from O. B. Shook, renewing his subscription reports good health and prosperous times. Their new address is Miller, Lake Co., Ind.

Miss Gladys Peck came home last week from a four months session, night and day in caring for an invalid aunt in Shiawassee county.

A. LaChapelle, "Ex-Devil" of the Avalanche office, who has become an expert typographer in newspaper work, has gone to the residence of his mother in Wisconsin, where he seeks for a place to take another degree in the "4th" estate.

Mrs. Lizzy Foley, of Oscoda Co., with little Miss Gertrude, came to our city Monday, to spend the week with "Our Twins", and with her sister, Mrs. Jas. J. Colens. They will make a gay family.

WORKING IN HARMONY

A successful executive once said, "One of the most valuable things that I ever learned was to work in harmony with men whose personality and views I did not like. Too many people carry their private likes and dislikes into the business world."

On many of the old French cathedrals a visitor will notice all sorts of hideous animals carved in stone. These are always on the exterior of the building. The mediaeval builders intended them to represent man's personal dislikes and prejudices, to be left outside the church if he would worship inside in peace.

The small man often carries his personal friendships and animosities into his business, but a well-disciplined man leaves such things outside the office door. For the sake of a common cause, he learns to pull together with men and women who may have personal views with which he does not agree.

Most people make the mistake of thinking that a friend is always a person whom we like, and an enemy a person whom we detest. This is not necessarily true. Although personal affection is an important element in most friendships, yet some of our most useful friends are people whom we may not like personally. They are people whom we meet in business, in our club, or our church, and with whom we learn to live in

TEACHER GUARDS SCHOOL LIFE



The most loved person in the community would have been the most dreaded and shunned, had parents of children attending one small rural school in Michigan known that tuberculosis had marked the teacher for its victim. A girl who was the picture of animation and health, this young teacher, just two weeks after school closed last June, lay dead. Hers was an unsuspected case of tuberculosis.

Following her death, the school board requested tuberculin test and X-ray examination from the Michigan Tuberculosis Association. Out of 32 pupils, 29 were found to be infected. The X-ray revealed that several had enough germs to cause disease. These children, found and treated in time, were spared the sad fate of their young teacher.

In the educational campaign carried on by anti-tuberculosis societies for over 25 years, a movement which has resulted in a 50 per cent reduction in the death rate in Michigan, teachers have co-operated more than any other group.

Michigan is one of the first states to begin a tuberculosis sur-

vey using the tuberculin test and X-ray examination. Teachers realizing that they are closer to children than anyone save parents, have welcomed the opportunity to discover whether or not they themselves might be infected. Two per cent of the teachers examined in the past two years have had tuberculosis.

Among the prominent educators who endorse this modern movement aimed at the early discovery of the disease is Dr. Paul F. Voelker, State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Dr. Voelker says, "I would like to see the tuberculin test and X-ray examination made available for every school in Michigan. There is no doubt that the scourge of tuberculosis can be successfully combated only by preventive procedures."

"It is our public duty for the health protection of the future citizens of Michigan to support the Michigan Tuberculosis Association in this great work," declares Dr. Voelker. "I sincerely hope the campaign for the sale of tuberculosis Christmas seals which finance this work will be extraordinarily successful this year."

CYNTHIA'S CHRISTMAS

Martha Banning Thomas

CYNTHIA tried to be gay over the holiday parties, but somehow she just couldn't get into the spirit of things. With sun shining, flowers growing, and a warm wind from the sea, nothing seemed right. "I like snow and sleigh-bells, and feet creaking. Can't help it; this is lovely, but—" she would fall into wistful silence, and her dancing partner would be puzzled and a little hurt.

Cynthia had not heard from Sam for a long while. Perhaps he was forgetting her. They had been such good friends always and lately a new warmth and tenderness had crept into their relationship—that is, just before Cynthia had left for the west coast. But probably Sam

Died—At his home in this village, Tuesday, Dec. 20, Thomas Ingleby Sr., aged 65 years.

School Notes. (23 Years Ago)

Number enrolled in school to date between the ages of 5-20, males 209, females 254; total 463.

Number enrolled to date between the ages of 7 and 15 years, males 189, females 192; total 351.

The following were neither absent nor tardy during the month: Mable Nelson, Elsie Larson, Marion Shreck, Axel Petersen, Marguerite Burgess, Margaret Foley, Chester LaBeef, Ingred Jorgenson, Joe Cassidy, Edward Waldron and Clarence Johnson.

was very busy. Probably he didn't get time to write. Oh, well . . . And her eyes would become misty with looking, not at the immediate beauty of shore and sea, or lovely gardens, but at far away things.

Sam lived next door in the old days, a rough little boy who tumbled her curls, made fun of the way she switched her skirts, washed her face with the greatest rudeness in snow, and once, quite by accident, nearly killed her.

Sitting one day under an orange tree, she reviewed that episode, and it all came back to her as clearly as if she were seven years old instead of twenty-two. Sam had called to her to come out to play. She hesitated, knowing how rough and unmannly he might become. She was wearing a new muff with a ribbon round her neck and a little blue bonnet that matched her eyes. She did not wish to be mussed up or to have tricks played upon her. "Aw, 'frad pussy! 'frad pussy!" he had taunted her. So she came down the steps, and soon they were playing together in the snow, and Sam wasn't as rough as usual. It was the day before Christmas and after a while Sam began describing the things he wanted. Among them was a small cannon. "With a ball that goes bang . . . like this!" Before Cynthia quite knew what happened, Sammy had hit her with something icy cold and hard. She fell over, and did not know anything for a long time. When she came to, Sam's red, agonized face bent over hers. "I didn't mean to hit you . . . It slipped . . . I was just showing you about the cannon ball. I'm sorry . . . please, please . . . don't be dead!" That episode had sealed their friendship. It had just naturally gone on for years after this.

Christmas Eve there was a pack ace for her. It was a little heavy and quite cold. "Come in a refrigerator car," said the errand boy, "and had to be delivered packed in ice."

Cynthia undid her wrappings. In the last one she found a snow-ball.

On it, traced in small red berries were these words, "You don't need a snowball to knock me cold. Merry Christmas. Love, Sam."

THE QUEEREST ACCIDENTS OF 1933

Odd twists of fate by which a fish, a cat and a chicken each shot a human being, an egg "wounded" a burglar and made him surrender, and many other strange accidents are described in an article in The American Weekly with next Sunday's Detroit Times.

COME ON SANTA!



Marathon Winner



Robert Rankine of Preston, Ont., crossing the finish line to win the twenty-fourth annual Berwick marathon at Terwick, Pa., with a time of 48:33 minutes. Lou Gregory of New York crossed the line just sixty feet behind Rankine. The two runners had matched strides for eight and one-half miles of the nine-mile course, but as they neared the finish in a driving sprint Rankine took the lead.

Leather Jerkin



Gray suede leather jerkin with sleeves and skirt matching gray ribbed knit heightened with a blouse of red wool. The Tyrolean hat has a gay red feather.

Father Sage Says:

People speak of "enemies" as if everybody had them. Millions of people have no enemies at all; only here and there a person who mildly dislikes them.

TAX PAYERS

I shall be at my office at Grayling Dairy, beginning Dec. 11, 1933, A. D. for the purpose of collecting the township taxes.

Amos W. Hunter,
Grayling Twp. Treas.

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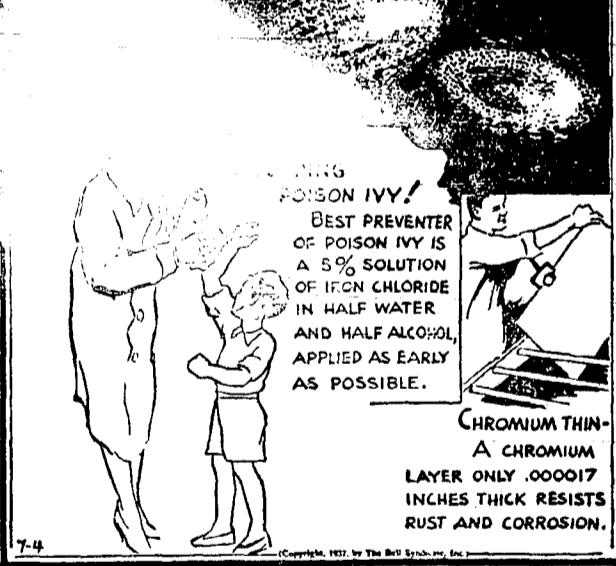
Beautiful Fall Gown



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ODD THINGS AND NEW—By Lame Bode

MYSTERIOUS UNIVERSES— ALL THE STARS WE SEE FORM WITH THE MILKY WAY, A VAST UNIVERSE, YET THOUSANDS MORE OF SUNS AND STARS HAVE NOT BEEN SEEN.



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BEST PREVENTER OF POISON IVY IS A 5% SOLUTION OF IRON CHLORIDE IN HALF WATER AND HALF ALCOHOL APPLIED AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE.

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THURSDAY, DEC. 21, 1933

SELL LIQUOR BY GLASS OR
NOT?

Members of the Village council are deeply concerned over the question that they will have to decide soon. It is the matter of whether Graylingites must be satisfied with the privilege of purchasing liquor from the state-owned liquor store only or shall the council approve applications for selling liquor by the glass.

Some of the members of the council have discussed the matter with quite a number of our citizens. To some the plan of sale by the bottle or larger quantity, to be taken to the home or private quarters of the individual, seems quite the ideal method of distribution. In such case purchasers are not allowed to have an unsealed bottle of liquor in their possession while in public or to have an open bottle within their auto. Such would be considered a violation of the liquor laws and would be subject to a penalty. And it is claimed that that would cause a hardship upon the individual who might like to have a drink of liquor but would not like to be forced to purchase a whole bottle and drink it, in cases where a person may be away from their home and unable to leave the unused portion in a legal place. And it is further reminded that persons unable to purchase a full bottle might lead to the unlawful means of purchasing a drink from individuals, thus encouraging a form of bootlegging.

And in case licenses are granted by the council for sale of liquor by the glass, the result might have a tendency to approach the form of the old time saloon, which the people decidedly disapproved by their votes on the question at the time Michigan was voted dry by an overwhelming majority.

In consequence of these conditions some of the members of the council are taking the matter very seriously. We have a splendid board of village trustees and we are confident that the members will weigh every angle of the question honestly and fairly and when they finally arrive at a decision of what they believe will be the best for all concerned, then it is up to all of us to stand by them. They are our legislative body and they alone can make the decision, and whatever their decision is we shall believe that it was arrived at after full knowledge of the conditions.

The public is concerned in this matter and it is advisable for interested people to think this matter over seriously, from all angles. We are sure the members of the council will appreciate any honest, unbiased, sensible suggestion that may be offered them.

Township boards of the county also may approve or disapprove applications for licenses for the sale of liquor within their respective jurisdictions. But it seems to us that there is no need for liquor

stores in rural districts especially for the sale of liquor by the glass.

SEEMS LIKE OLDE TIMES
The very generous advertising by our local merchants and manufacturers in this week's edition of the Avalanche reminds us of the days when nearly every business interest in Grayling was a consistent advertiser. Everyone was working those days and everyone had money to spend and Grayling merchants saw to it that their stocks were complete and they let the people know about it by advertising. Then came the crash, and there were lean days for everyone. But few people had money to spend, and the Avalanche just the same as about every newspaper in the land, suffered for the want of business. National advertisers just about quit advertising and newspapers all over the land operated at a loss. Editions were cut to fewer pages in order to hold down the costs of publication and to avert, as much as possible, the losses.

It is quite well known that the Avalanche has steadfastly refrained from accepting advertising patronage from stores at Gaylord, Bay City, Traverse City, Saginaw, Detroit, and other large communities, and we hope to continue this loyalty to local merchants. We believe it has been appreciated. Now that everyone is at work again and families are again going to be able to have money to spend, we feel confident that business is going to improve as time goes on.

We appreciate the fine patronage our merchants have given us during the holiday season and trust that, with the new year, a consistent appropriation may be set aside for business advertising. Then let everyone pull together for Grayling and Grayling institutions and our town will be better than it was ever before. With Thanks and Gratitude for the many favors we have received from our dealers, and wishing all a Merry Christmas, we remain

Sincerely yours,
CRAWFORD AVALANCHE.

NEWS IS INDISPENSABLE

For a pleasant and complete breakfast a newspaper is indispensable. Many would as soon start the day without coffee as without the news. And who cares to finish the day without a knowl-



The spirit of Christmas calls us to a better appreciation of old associations and the value of old friendships.

May the New Year bring you a full measure of pleasure and prosperity.

Earl Nelson
At
Pinnacle Oil Station

**The LATEST MODELS
RADIO
for Christmas
Majestics**
"The Smart Set of Radio"
from \$22.00 up

Also a complete line of Majestic Tubes.

Have your radio tubes tested by our latest type Tube Tester.

For Radio Service call Phone 84

AHMAN & GREENBURY

ence of what has happened in the world.

The price of newspapers does not properly reflect their importance in our lives. We may spend more than ten minutes in reading a forty-page paper, and see nothing that particularly interests us. No friends married or divorced; no change in the level of the stock market; no spaces in sport; no deaths; no announcements of mergers or bankruptcies. Yet the assurance that all is well in the world is important, because it enables us to handle the routine of the day intelligently. Incomplete rumors of a major disaster, coming when newspapers are not available, might cause us a painful night and send us to the office before daybreak the following morning.

Therefore, to the man who is mentally alive, accurate printed news is a precious commodity. To shut off the news would be like turning off the light.

NEWS BRIEFS

Dr. and Mrs. Frank Bearach will spend Christmas in Chicago.

Russel Watkins, of Milwaukee, was in town on business this week.

Miss Lucy Miller, of Houghton Heights, was a caller in Grayling this week.

Christmas seals are "special delivery" stamps, delivering health daily at someone's door.

Mrs. John Kellogg left Saturday night for Grand Rapids, where she will visit for sometime.

Wilbur Stammer, of New York, will spend Christmas here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Stammer.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gamble and three daughters, of Jackson, will be holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cowell.

Boys and girls contest closes Sunday at 10 o'clock P. M. Prizes given out Monday at 10 A. M.—Mac & Gidley.

George Osborn, son of ex-governor Osborn, called on Walter Cowell Friday, enroute to the Soo from Fresno, Calif.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Canfield (Cléo Barrington) a daughter, on Dec. 16th, who will be known as Betty Ann.

Miss Wilma Burrows was hostess to the Graduate Girls Sewing club at a Christmas party at her home Tuesday evening.

Miss Agda Johnson is spending her Christmas vacation from Ferris Institute with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Algot Johnson.

Miss Virginia Hoesli will spend her Christmas vacation from Flint business school here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hoesli.

George Cowell, of the Soo, called on his brothers, Walter and John here, on his way to Pontiac Monday, where he met his daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Warner and two children of Detroit are expected to spend Christmas here with Mrs. Warner's mother, Mrs. Rasmus Jorgenson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McNiss are expected to spend Christmas here with the latter's mother, Mrs. O. Milnes, and her brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Roy O. Milnes and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Peterson and family will spend Christmas in Ludington, at the home of Mrs. Peterson's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Bromwell.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

**Village Council
Proceedings**

Meeting held on the 18th day of December, A. D. 1933, Grayling, Mich.

Special meeting.

Meeting called to order by President C. G. Clipper.

Trustees present: A. L. Roberts, N. O. Corwin, R. O. Milnes, Jesse Schoonover and A. S. Burrows.

Meeting called for the purpose of making arrangements for loan with Grayling State Savings Bank and such other business as may come before the meeting.

Moved by Milnes and supported by Schoonover that the President and Clerk be authorized to make loan at Grayling State Savings Bank in the amount of \$1,000 for 90 days. Yea and Nay vote called. Yea: Roberts, Corwin, Milnes, Schoonover and Burrows. Motion carried.

Moved by Milnes and supported by Corwin that we advance \$75.00 to the Hayden, Kunze Company to apply on their fee of 5% on Storm Sewer project. Yea and Nay vote called. Yea: Roberts, Corwin, Milnes, Schoonover and Burrows. Motion carried.

Moved and supported that we adjourn. Motion carried.

E. L. Sparke, Clerk.

C. G. Clipper, President.

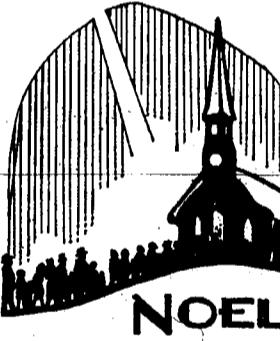
**Paddy's Grill****Christmas Dinner**

Cream Tomato Soup
Roast Turkey Goose Stuffing
Cranberries
Roast Beef Roast Pork
(Choice of sides)

Olives Sliced Tomatoes
Cream Peas Buttered Beets
Potatoes and Gravy
Drinks—Tea, Coffee, Milk.

**Hanson's Restaurant**

extend to you cordial greetings and wish you a Merry Christmas and a Successful Happy New Year.



We thank you kindly for your valued patronage during the past year and trust the same cordial relationship will exist the coming year.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

A. E. Hendrickson
Tailor

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L. N. L. ELECTS OFFICERS

Wednesday evening the L. N. L. held election of officers at their regular business meeting.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President—Hattie Moehler.

1st Vice Pres.—Elizabeth Serven.

2nd Vice Pres.—Hazel Kochanowski.

Treasurer—Helen Bugby.

Chaplain—Hattie Sherman.

Marshal—Emma Knibbs.

Asst. Marshal—Pearl Mathews.

Sentinel—Eureka Stephan.

Picket—Doris Palmer.

Color Bearer—Della Clise (appointed).

Musician—June Underwood (appointed).

Installation will be held on

Wednesday evening, Jan. 3rd.

Each member may invite one guest. Pot luck lunch.

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GRAYLING STATE SAVINGS BANK

Grayling, Michigan

CHURCH NOTES

MICHIGAN MEMORIAL
H. J. Salmon, Pastor.

Church School—10:00 A. M.

Christmas Service—11:00 A. M.

There is to be special Christmas music provided for this service.

At the regular hour of their service the Leaguers are planning to carol.

Evening Service—7:00 P. M.

"OUR GANG" MEETS

Mrs. George Clise was hostess to Our Gang last Wednesday afternoon. Roll call found sixteen members present. We also had five guests, Mrs. B. LaBean, Mrs. Wm. McEvans, Mrs. Carlton Wythe, Mrs. John Wakeley and Mrs. Henry Hayes.

Plans were made at this meeting for a Christmas party for the children of the members of the club. Each child up to twelve years to receive a gift and candy.

The Thought for Today was nicely given by Mrs. Laura Parker, entitled "A Friend." The next one is to be given by Mrs. Hazel Kochanowski.

The Red Cross committee is Bertha Williams, Matilda Robarge and Hazel Kochanowski.

Three new members were enrolled, Mrs. B. LaBean, Mrs. H. Hayes and Mrs. John Wakeley.

Keno prizes were given to Mrs. Wm. McEvans, Mrs. Dewey Palmer and Mrs. Sidney Robarge.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Hazel Kochanowski.

Members are to bring gifts for the tree also. Pot luck lunch will be served.

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BAND GIVES PARTY

Friday evening of last week the Grayling band held its first party in their new band hall over Connie's store. After the usual practice, card tables were set up and games of bridge, five hundred, pedro and pinochle were indulged in by everyone present. There were several guests present besides band members and their families. Sandwiches and coffee were served following the card games.

The party was a pronounced success and everyone enjoyed himself so much that it was decided to hold a similar party the second Friday in each month.

These parties not only afford an enjoyable evening but go far in promoting a feeling of good fellowship and cooperation among band members and in holding their interest during the winter months when it is impossible to hold the weekly concerts.

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THURSDAY, DEC. 21, 1933

Loyal Rose, of Grand Rapids, visited Miss Oma Leson over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tomkins have moved into the Archie Lovelby house on Chestnut street.

Robert Hanson Jr., of Detroit, will spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Esborn Hanson.

A. C. Green of the A. & P. market will leave Sunday for Manistee, to spend Christmas there.

Miss Evelyn Johnson stopped to visit friends here Saturday enroute from Petoskey to her home in Bay City.

Mr. George McClellan and son Bobby spent the week end in Cheboygan, and also plan to spend Christmas there.

Miss Claudine Craig, who has been visiting her father, A. R. Craig for the past few weeks, left Monday for Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hoesli and children, of Petoskey, will spend Christmas with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Hoesli.

There will be special business at the I.O.O.F. meeting next Wednesday evening, Dec. 26th. All members please be present.

Mr. and Mrs. John Yuill, of Vanderbilt, will spend Christmas here with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ziebell.

Marius Hanson has arrived home to spend Christmas vacation from Ferris Institute with his mother, Mrs. Hanneke Hanson.

Miss Mildred Corwin, of Lansing, will arrive Sunday to spend the holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nels Corwin.

Emil Giegling, of Marquette, will spend Christmas with his family, Mrs. Giegling and three children Roger, Emily, and Sue Margaret.

Stanley Stephan, who is attending Ferris Institute, has arrived home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Stephan.

Mrs. Grace Parker, who is attending Sparrow Hospital Training school in Lansing, will be met Saturday by Elmer Fenton, to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Parker. Milford Parker will make the trip to Lansing also.

Dance at the Temple in Grayling, Saturday nite, Dec. 23. Square and round dances. There will be a change in music. 35¢ couple; extra lady free; ladies without gentleman escort, 10¢. Come and have a good time. Frank Bridges, Mgr.

Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Schumann and daughter Mary Esther leave Friday to spend Christmas in Spring Lake at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Smith. They will also spend a day in Grand Rapids with Mrs. Schumann's sister, Mrs. G. R. DuBois and family.

Miss Elizabeth Matson arrived home Saturday from Battle Creek College to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Efner Matson. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Matson, of Flint, Miss Janet Matson accompanied by Russel White of Detroit and Mr. and Mrs. W. Clarence Smith of Roscommon, will also be at the parental home for Christmas.

The ladies of the Northern Unit Welfare society met at the home of Miss Mary Jean Hummel on Wednesday, Dec. 6th. The day being stormy not very many were present. Garments were cut out and quilt blocks made. The hostess served dinner at noon and every one had a good time. The next meeting will be held at Mrs. Stanley Hummel's January 4th. Everybody come out and have a good time.

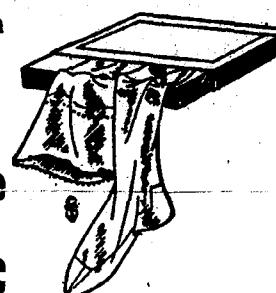
The remains of F. D. Decker, who passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. B. R. Burns, last Thursday, were taken to Laingsburg for interment, and the funeral was held Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Decker were here visiting at the Burns home and altho the former was ailing, his demise came most unexpectedly. Supt. and Mrs. Burns and family and Mr. Decker accompanied the remains. The family have the sympathy of many friends in their bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Funck and sons Robert and Edwin left Monday morning for Nebraska to visit over the holidays with Mrs. Funck's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Roberts. Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, both of whom are now in their eighties, lived in Grayling several years ago and it is 18 years since the families have seen each other so no doubt the visit will be a joyous one. They made the trip by automobile and expect to be gone for three weeks.

Family Christmas TO ALL

Christmas Gift Sales, at Grayling's Practical Gift Store

A Gift all Women
will appreciate



**Silk
Hose**

59c 89c 98c

Spun-Lo Rayon Undies

Panties, Bloomers and Vests

69c

Silk Slips, Gowns, and
Pajamas

Silk Pongee Robes and
Pajamas

**3 Piece
Towel Sets**

1 Towel 2 Washcloths

98c

Large assortment of Fancy

Pillow Cases

Lunch and Bridge Sets



Boxed Hankies

for Ladies

19c to \$100 Box

Store Open Evenings

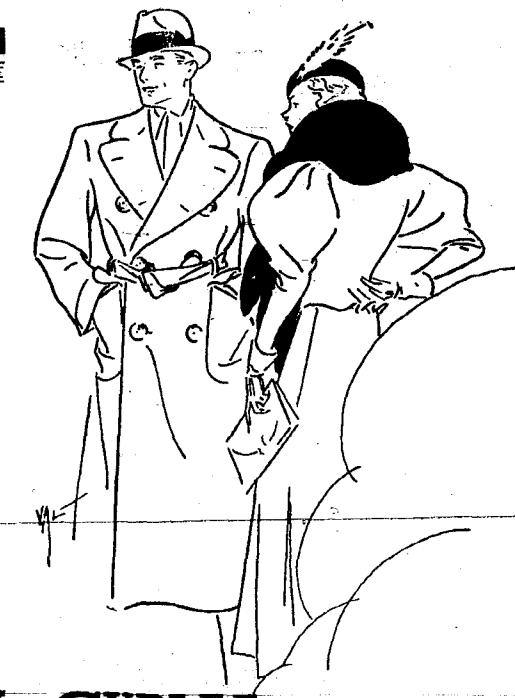
O'Coats

Buy Him an Over Coat

Fine, new Over Coats in the Season's
newest models.

Navy Brown and Blue

\$12.50 \$18.50 \$21.50



**CURLEE
TRADE MARK
CLOTHES**

Buy Him Ties!

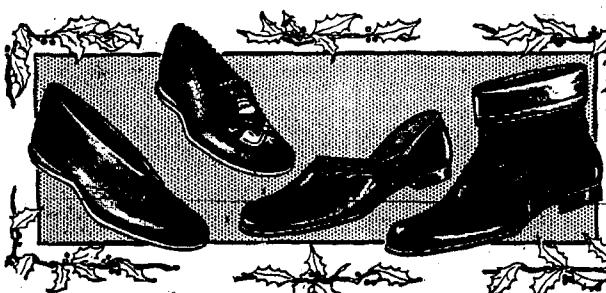
Hand Tailored

69c \$1.00



Boys Ties **25c**

A cosy Gift for a Man



Felt Slippers

69c \$1.00 \$1.25

Pajamas and Gowns

for Men, Broadcloth or Flannel

See our table of Children's Gifts

at **19c**

Regular 25c values

**Mens Gift
Handkerchiefs**

Plain or Initial

39c to \$1.00 Box

Mens Suspenders
Mens Garters
Mens Gloves
Bill Fold Sets

Beautiful New

Mufflers



\$1.25 to \$2.95

Ladies Comfort

Slippers

Large assortment **49c, 79c and up**

Infants Gifts

Sweaters, Blankets, Coats,
Booties, and Gowns



Grayling Mercantile Company

The Quality Store

Phone 125

Chris Hoesli spent Tuesday in Saginaw on business.

Miss Elaine Reagan arrived home Tuesday morning to spend the holiday vacation from the University of Michigan with her mother, Mrs. Eva Reagan.

Mr. W. P. Evans and son Roger, of Detroit, are expected Sunday for the Christmas holiday, to be with the former's mother, Mrs. Hubert Babbitt. Also Mr. and Mrs. Donald Babbitt and son Tommy of Detroit will be Christmas guests at the Babbitt home at Bay City.

Calvin Church, of Centerline, spent the week end here with Mrs. Church and family.

Joe Mallinger, accompanied by his sister Marie, spent the week end in Chicago, visiting relatives.

Miss Ellen Gothro, of Lansing, is spending Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gothro.

Mrs. Joseph McLeod returned home Thursday of last week after having served on the Grand Jury at Bay City.

Miss Betty Welsh has arrived from Alma College to spend the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Welsh.

George Granger, who is a foreman in a CCC camp near Pontiac, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Monahan.

Miss Bunny Montour, who is attending business school in Detroit, will spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Montour.

Mrs. P. L. Brown left Wednesday for East Jordan to spend two children, will leave Saturday for Lansing to spend Christmas with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Smith.

School closing Friday, most of the teachers left for their respective homes, to spend the vacation, which is to last four weeks.

Miss Florence Butler will spend Christmas at the home of her parents, in Dearborn.

Miss Veronica Lovely is spending her Christmas vacation from Central State Teacher's College at Mt. Pleasant here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Lovely.

Mrs. John Isenbauer returned Monday from Bay City where she was called owing to the death of her sister, Mrs. John Underwood. Mrs. Underwood was 87 years old and the mother of ten children.

Merry Christmas

CHAMBER
Material and Work
Guaranteed
Good service

**C. O.
McCullough**
Shoe Repairing



Holiday Greetings

Rialto
Beauty and Barber
Shoppe
Phone 35



Christmas Good Wishes

**Standard Oil
Company**
Dan Hoesli Agent



This is a little greeting, but it carries a big "Thank You" for your business during the past year.

Leitz Bros.



**May Your
Yuletide
be a
happy
one.**

As we are about to cast the year of 1933 aside, we wish to thank you, who have been faithful to us, for your loyal patronage. We want you to know that we need you during the coming year, 1934. We shall do our utmost to give you even Better Quality and Better Service.

May our daily deliveries of fresh pasteurized milk and cream give you vigorous health so that you will be more capable of meeting the problems of the new year.

Grayling Dairy Co.

Amos W. Hunter, Prop.



Yuletide Greetings

With the coming of the Christmas Holidays, we extend to you every seasonable good wish and look forward to the new year with hopeful reliance upon our mutual good will.

HANSON HARDWARE



Broadcasting Our Christmas Wishes

**The Great
Atlantic & Pacific
Tea Co.**



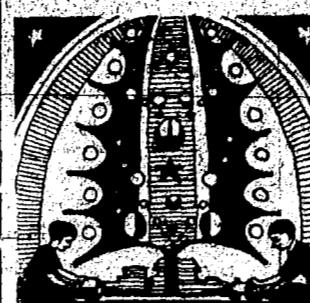
Season's Greetings, 1933

We have found that friendship in Business counts for much and we are grateful for yours.

We desire to convey the Season's Best Wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

J. E. SCHOONOVER

Buick and Pontiac Sales



Merry Christmas

Out to Help Others



Smiling, just out of a sanatorium, Mary is celebrating her return to health by volunteering to sell tuberculosis Christmas seals.

Mary's father died of tuberculosis and she dropped out of school to go to work. Two years later she was stricken.

Tuberculosis sanatoriums educate as well as cure. Mary knows now that her young father might have been saved from death.

She knows, too, that her own case would have been found in its early stage had the high school survey not passed her by.

Early discovery of tuberculosis means ridding humanity of unnecessary worry and sorrow. Buy Mary's Christmas seals!

GABBY GERTIE



"A domestic argument usually ends with a few finishing 'tushes'."

**The Red Children
at Christmastide**
By Dr. E. A. BATES

LONG ago before the white man reached the land of the Indians, there came one wintry day to a village of the Iroquois, an old man tired, hungry and cold. At the first bark cabin he asked for food and warmth and was welcomed to the fire in the center of the lodge. He saw the cabin was occupied by a widow with eight children, and having warmed himself, he decided to press onward to the next cabin, where by chance food would be more plentiful; but he was restrained by the children who pleaded with him to share their humble fare.

After the simple meal was over, he noted the children gathering up the bits of meat and fastening them on strings of sinew and collecting the crumbs of cornbread and crunching them into little balls. Then taking the old man by the hand, together they danced around the fire and hastened outdoors to the border of the woods. The boys immediately scrambled up the trees and tied the meat-laden strings to the branches while the little girls placed the corn balls all around the foot of the trees.

The whole group then silently crept away, and soon the little furred and feathered children of the woodland appeared and ate their Christmas dinner. The snowbirds offered a cheery song; the gray squirrel wiggled his little ears; and even the old owl winked at the little Indian boys and girls who remembered the Great Spirit's children of the woodland.

GIANTS

The Annual Problems

Xmas Gifts

Let us help you solve them with our line of merchandise

Radios **Sporting Goods**

Tobaccos **Cigars**

or

Candies

Also special Brick Ice Cream

We also wish all a Merry Xmas and Happy New Year.

Olaf Sorenson & Son



Wishing You a Merry Christmas

Here's Hopin' Santa Claus Falls hard for you and makes things Soft for you this Christmas

Cash and Carry Store

M. Hartley, Prop.



A. S. BURROWS

Home of Good Meats.

Phone No. 2



CHRISTMAS comes and reawakens the appreciation of pleasant associations—rekindles the warmth of friendships. It is our wish that the New Year may find and keep you rich in Happiness.

Kerry & Hanson Flooring Co.

Everything in Building Material. Phone 62

Grayling Stores will be open Evenings until Christmas.



GREETINGS

We like to think of our customers as friends and to remember them with a few words of appreciation for the business extended during the past year.

There is no better way to express our friendship than by the old, old wish that grows dearer through the ages.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Frank Ahman and Associates



Our Best Wishes

Mac & Gidley
Druggists

SEASON'S



GREETINGS

Our business is built upon your good will and confidence in us so at this happy season of the year we cannot overlook extending you a message of appreciation and thanks.

Redson & Cooley



With many thanks for past favors and best wishes for the coming year.

Grayling Hardware

